

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An endless drive track for a snowmobile,  
comprising a base and traction lugs extending upward from the base,  
wherein the traction lugs are inclined relative to normal to the base.
2. The endless drive track of claim 1, wherein the angle of inclination is in the range from 5 to 45 degrees.
3. The endless drive track of claim 2, wherein the angle of inclination is in the range from 5 to 30 degrees.
4. The endless drive track of claim 2, wherein the angle of inclination is in the range from 5 to 15 degrees.
5. The endless drive track of claim 1, wherein the traction lug is inclined away from a track travel direction.
6. The endless drive track of claim 1, wherein the traction lug is inclined toward a track travel direction.
7. The endless drive track of claim 1, comprising a first set of traction lugs inclined away from a track travel direction and a second set of travel lugs inclined toward a track travel direction.
8. An endless drive track of claim 1, wherein the traction lugs have a height of 0.5 to 3 inches.
9. An endless drive track of claim 6, wherein the height is 1.5 to 3 inches.

10. An endless drive track of claim 5, wherein the angle of inclination is sufficient for the traction lug to compress snow as it comes into contact with the snow.

11. A snowmobile comprising an endless drive track of claim 1.